

Buy Recycled!

Buy items made from recycled materials to make recycling really work. Buying products made from recycled materials helps to “close the loop”.

- Buying recycled saves energy and natural resources.
- Buying recycled makes less pollution.
- Buying recycled means you use it over again.
- Buying recycled makes recycling really work!



Jimmy Singh

Recycle Rex's RecyCool Club:

Hi Kids! It's me Recycle Rex! Would you like to learn more about recycling? Join my RecyCool Club to learn about recycling through games, contests, newsletters, and a membership kit!

My club is free for kids ages 5 to 11 years old.

You can join by calling **1-800-RECYCLE**.

You can also learn about recycling by visiting my website at:

www.recyclerex.com



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For beverage container recycling locations and information call **1-800-RECYCLE** or visit the Department's website at

www.conservation.ca.gov.

For other recycling related information call **1-800-CLEANUP**.

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Kids Can Recycle Beverage Containers Too!



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What are beverage containers?

- Water packaged in plastic, glass or aluminum.
- Soft drinks and sport drinks packaged in aluminum, glass or plastic.
- Fruit and vegetable drinks packaged in aluminum, glass or plastic.
- Tea and adult beverages packaged in aluminum, glass, plastic or bi-metal cans.



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Why recycle beverage containers?



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- Recycling saves energy and natural resources.
- Recycling prevents landfills from filling up.
- Recycling keeps the earth healthy and reduces litter.
- Recycling makes

money for you, your school or organization.

- Recycling is cool and fun to do!

Where do you find empty beverage containers?

- At home.
- When traveling.
- At school.
- At sporting events.
- At the beach or park.



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How do you identify a redeemable container?

- "CA Cash Refund" or "CA Redemption Value" written on it.
- Look for aluminum cans.
- Look for glass drink bottles.
- Look for plastic drink bottles.
- Look for bi-metal cans (aluminum mixed with steel).



April Martinez

Where can you recycle beverage containers?



Cierra Conrad

- At a recycling buyback center.
- At a recycling vending machine.
- In your curbside recycling bin.
- Give as a donation to an organization or school.

Who can you tell about recycling beverage containers?

- Your grandparents, parents, brothers or sisters.
- Your friends and neighbors.
- Your school.
- Your club or organization.



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"The Litter Legacy"

Litter is ugly! Always look for a garbage can to discard your trash and a recycle bin to recycle your beverage containers! Don't litter! Litter on the ground takes years to decompose (breakdown and rot).

Beverage Container:	Years to Decompose:
Bi-Metal Cans	50 - 80
Aluminum Cans	80 - 500
Glass Bottles	1 million
Plastic Bottles	Never decomposes

"Lost in Landfills"

If beverage containers are not recycled, they end up in our landfills. They will never decompose when they are buried in a landfill and you waste the natural resources that are used to make new containers.



Derek DeLeon

Beverage Container:	Natural Resource:
Bi-metal Cans	Ore
Aluminum Cans	Ore
Glass Bottles	Silica (Sand)
Plastic Bottles	Oil